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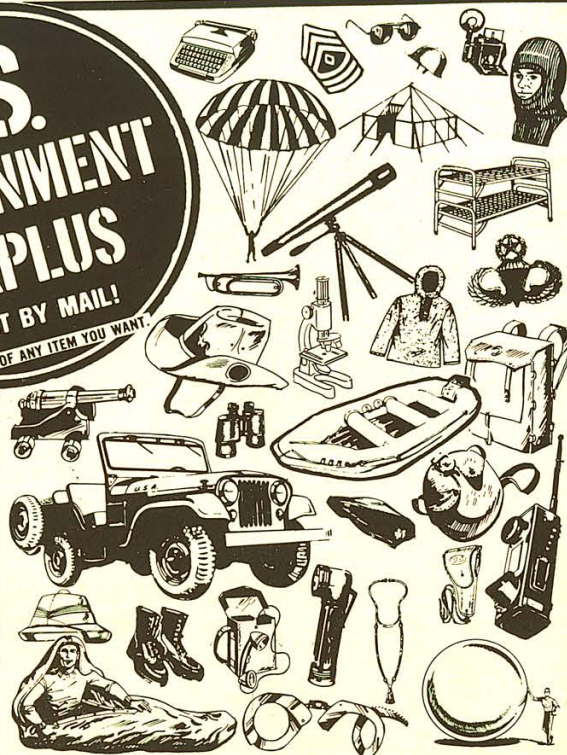
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THE AMAZING SPIDER-MAN!

"SPIDEY SAVES THE DAY!" FEATURING: THE END OF THE GREEN GOBLIN!

IF YOU MISSED OUR LAST ISH BECAUSE YOU WERE ORBITING EARTH ON A SPACE SHIP (THE ONLY ACCEPTABLE REASON FOR A TRUE SPIDOPHILE'S COPPING OUT), ALL WE NEED TELL YOU IS THAT SPIDEY HAS BEEN CAPTURED AND UN-MASKED BY THE GREEN GOBLIN... ONLY TO LEARN THAT HIS UBIQUITOUS ENEMY IS NONE OTHER THAN NORMAN OSBORN, FATHER OF PETER'S COLLEGE CLASSMATE, HARRY OSBORN! AND NOW, TIGER, YOU'RE ON YOUR OWN...

TAKE A LOOK AT MY FACE, PARKER... A GOOD, LONG LOOK! IT'S THE LAST FACE YOU'LL EVER SEE... IN THIS LIFE!

I'VE GOT TO STALL FOR TIME... KEEP HIM TALKING... WHILE I STRAIN AGAINST THESE STEEL ALLOY COILS HE'S TIED ME WITH!

I SHOULD HAVE KNOWN IT WOULD BE YOU, OSBORN! ANYONE WHO'D HAVE A SON LIKE HARRY...

HARRY?? YOU KNOW MY SON?!!

CONCEIVED IN FANTASY, AND DEDICATED TO THE PROPOSITION THAT ALL MARVELITES ARE ENTITLED TO LIFE, LIBERTY, AND THE PURSUIT OF COMIC BOOK QUALITY! SO SAY WE ALL!

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YOU SHOULDN'T HAVE MENTIONED HARRY! WHY DID YOU REMIND ME OF HIM?

I MUSTN'T THINK OF HIM, DO YOU HEAR? I MUST FORGET... FORGET!

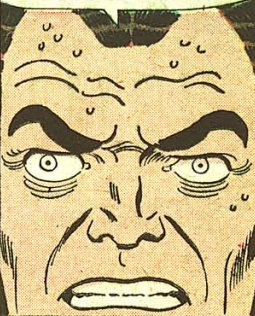


HE THINKS I'M JUST A SIMPLE BUSINESSMAN! HE MUST NEVER KNOW THE TRUTH... NEVER!

AND HE WON'T! YOU'LL NEVER TELL HIM! I WON'T LET YOU!



THAT'S ANOTHER REASON WHY YOU MUST DIE, PARKER! ONLY YOU KNOW WHO THE GREEN GOBLIN IS! ...JUST AS I KNOW WHO SPIDER-MAN REALLY IS!



BUT WHAT HE DOESN'T KNOW IS... I'M JUST AS WORRIED ABOUT AUNT MAY LEARNING MY SECRET IDENTITY AS HE IS ABOUT HARRY LEARNING HIS!

I'VE GOT TO GET OUT OF THIS SOMEHOW... FOR HER SAKE! THE SHOCK WOULD BE MORE THAN SHE COULD BEAR!

I CAN TELL THAT YOU'RE STRUGGLING TO BREAK THOSE COILS, PARKER! HOW I ENJOY WATCHING YOUR FUTILE, TORTURED EFFORTS!



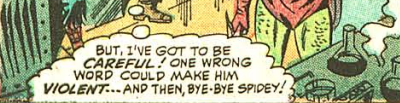
THAT'S IT, MISTER... STAND THERE AND GLOAT... WHILE I KEEP TUGGING AT THESE BLASTED BONDS!

OSBORN IS OBVIOUSLY A PSYCHOPATH! I'VE GOT TO PLAY ON HIS EMOTIONS... GOT TO KEEP HITTING HIM WHERE IT HURTS!

ANYWAY, YOU'RE NOT FOOLING ME! YOU DON'T GIVE A HOOT ABOUT HARRY! HE TOLD ME SO HIMSELF! HE TOLD ME HOW YOU'VE CHANGED TOWARDS HIM THESE PAST FEW YEARS!

I WAS RIGHT! HE'S A REAL MENTAL CASE! MY ONLY CHANCE IS TO KEEP TAUNTING HIM!

BUT, I'VE GOT TO BE CAREFUL! ONE WRONG WORD COULD MAKE HIM VIOLENT... AND THEN, BYE-BYE SPIDEY!



BUT, ENOUGH TALK! NOW I MUST FIND THE MOST SUITABLE MANNER OF ENDING YOUR INTERFERENCE FOREVER!

SPIDEY IF YOU'VE EVER THOUGHT FAST... AND TALKED FASTER... YOU'VE GOTTA DO IT NOW!

I THINK THE COILS ARE LOOSEN- ING! ALL I NEED IS TIME! GREAT WORK, GOBBY! I'LL MAKE A REAL CELEBRITY OUT OF YOUR SON, HARRY! NOT EVERY FELLA CAN HAVE A MURDERER IN THE FAMILY!

I WARNED YOU! DON'T MENTION HIM!

WHY NOT? WHAT HAVE I GOT TO LOSE? YOU CAN ONLY POLISH ME OFF ONCE!



BIG DEAL! WHO CARES WHY YOU BECAME THE GREEN GOBLIN? YOU PROBABLY LOST AN ELECTION BET OR SOMETHING! WHAT DOES IT MATTER?

YOU FOOL! I'LL SHOW YOU WHAT IT MATTERS! I'LL MAKE YOU LISTEN! THEN YOU'LL UNDERSTAND!

GOOD! IT'S WORKING!



I HOPE IT'LL BE A LONG STORY! I'VE ONLY MANAGED TO LOOSEN ONE SINGLE FINGER SO FAR! THE WAY HE TIED ME... I CAN'T EXERT ENOUGH LEVERAGE...!

HARRY'S MOTHER PASSED AWAY WHEN HE WAS JUST A BABY! I HAD TO BRING HIM UP ALONE... AND I TRIED MY BEST...!

SURE, SURE! THEY'LL PROBABLY ELECT YOU FATHER OF THE YEAR... BEFORE THE JUDGE SENDS YOU AWAY!

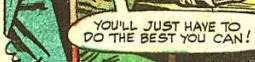


"AFTER ALL... I HAD A BUSINESS TO TAKE CARE OF! MONEY WAS THE MOST IMPORTANT THING OF ALL! I HAD TO GET RICH! I NEEDED WEALTH... FOR THAT WAS THE KEY TO POWER!"

BUT YOU SAID YOU'D REVIEW MY BIO WITH ME! I'VE AN EXAM TOMORROW!

YOU'LL HAVE TO WORK THESE PROBLEMS OUT YOURSELF, HARRY! I'VE GOT TO GET BACK TO THE OFFICE NOW!

YOU'LL JUST HAVE TO DO THE BEST YOU CAN!



HE'S SICKER THAN I THOUGHT! HE'S LIVING IN A FANTASY WORLD OF HIS OWN MAKING! HE'S ALMOST FORGOTTEN ME!

BUT, HIS STORY HAS ME HOOKED NOW! I STILL CAN'T FIGURE OUT WHAT MADE HIM BECOME THE GREEN GOBLIN!

HOW COULD I EXPECT HARRY TO UNDERSTAND HOW HARD I HAD TO WORK IN ORDER TO ACHIEVE SUCCESS...?



"BUT HARRY DIDN'T HAVE ANYTHING TO COMPLAIN ABOUT! THE MORE MONEY I MADE, THE MORE PRESENTS I BOUGHT HIM! I WANTED EVERYONE TO SEE WHAT A GREAT FATHER HE HAD!"

GO ON, SON... TAKE IT! I JUST BOUGHT IT FOR YOU... AS A SURPRISE!

IT'LL GIVE YOU SOMETHING TO DO WHILE I'M OUT OF TOWN ON BUSINESS NEXT MONTH!

OH... THANKS, DAD...!



"I EVEN TOOK HIM TO BALL GAMES WHEN I HAD A CHANCE! NOBODY CAN SAY I WASN'T A PERFECT FATHER, DO YOU HEAR...? NOBODY!"

DAD, DO YOU THINK... MAYBE WE CAN TALK FOR A WHILE...?

SURE, HARRY! SURE! BUT WATCH THE GAME NOW! WE DON'T WANNA MISS ANY OF THIS!

LATER, KID! LATER...!



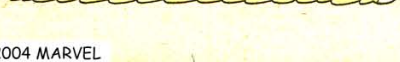
"I HAD TO BE RUTHLESS IN BUSINESS! I ALLOWED NO ONE TO STAND IN MY WAY... NOT EVEN MY PARTNER... A MAN NAMED PROFESSOR STORMM...!"

OSBORN! I WORKED TO BUILD THIS BUSINESS WITH YOU! MOST OF THE INVENTIONS ARE MINE! YOU CAN'T TURN AGAINST ME LIKE THIS!

I ONLY BORROWED THAT MONEY FROM OUR ACCOUNT! YOU KNOW I DIDN'T MEAN TO STEAL IT! IF YOU CALL THE POLICE... I'LL BE RUINED!

IT'S TOO LATE FOR THAT, STORMM! I'VE ALREADY SENT FOR THEM!

*REMEMBER STONY-FACED STORMM FROM SPIDEY #87? SURE YOU DO! ... SMILEY.



"PERHAPS I WAS TOO HARD ON STROMM... BUT IT WAS HIS OWN FAULT FOR BEING CARELESS... AND IT GAVE ME COMPLETE CONTROL OF MY BUSINESS!"

YOU'LL PAY FOR THIS, OSBORN! I WON'T BE IN JAIL FOREVER... AND WHEN I GET OUT... I'LL HAVE MY REVENGE! I SWEAR IT!

YOU ALWAYS WERE TOO EMOTIONAL! STROMM! THAT LITTLE OUTBURST OF YOURS DOESN'T IMPRESS ME A BIT!

TAKE HIM AWAY, GENTLEMEN. I'LL BE IN COURT TO PREFER CHARGES IN THE MORNING!

I'VE TOLD YOU SO MUCH... I MIGHT AS WELL TELL YOU THE REST! AFTER ALL, MY SECRET WILL DIE WITH YOU!

NOT IF I CAN HELP IT, MISTER!

THERE! THAT'S ANOTHER FINGER I MANAGED TO WORK LOOSE!

SO? WHAT HAPPENED? DID YOU WIN A GREEN COSTUME IN A RAFFLE, OR SOMETHING?

YOU'RE MOCKING ME, ARE YOU...?

"AND THEN, HARRY CAME IN... BUT I COULDN'T BE BOTHERED WITH HIM AT A TIME LIKE THAT..."

DAD, HAVE YOU FORGOTTEN? IT'S PARENTS' NIGHT AT MY SCHOOL THIS EVENING! WE SHOULD BE THERE BY NOW!

FORGET IT, SON! I CAN'T MAKE IT NOW! YOU GO ON AHEAD... MAYBE I'LL GET THERE BEFORE IT'S OVER!

BUT I THOUGHT...!

I SAID FORGET IT!

IT'S BEGINNING TO BUBBLE... TO FROTH... AND THAT SOUND... IT'S STEAMING...!

SO THAT'S WHY STROMM TRIED TO KILL YOU WITH THAT ROBOT OF HIS? AND THAT'S WHY YOU RESENTED SPIDER-MAN'S HELP?

UH-OH! HE'S TOO QUIET! I'VE GOTTA GET HIM TALKING AGAIN!

WHAT A JOKE! ME, TRYING TO SAVE THE GREEN GOBLIN?

I STILL DON'T GET IT, OSBORN! YOU BECAME WEALTHY... SUCCESSFUL! YOU ACHIEVED YOUR GOAL...

SO, WHAT MADE YOU TURN TO CRIME? WHAT MADE YOU BECOME THE GREEN GOBLIN?

"WELL, IT'S ALL RIGHT! YOU MAY HAVE YOUR LITTLE JOKE! IT'S THE LAST YOU'LL EVER ENJOY! AS FOR ME! I STILL REMEMBER THAT FATEFUL NIGHT... WHEN IT HAPPENED..."

THESE NOTES OF STROMM'S... WHICH I FOUND IN HIS DESK... CONTAIN SOME NEW, STRANGE-LOOKING FORMULAS!

SINCE HE'S IN PRISON NOW, I'LL CHECK THEM OUT! IF THEY'RE WORTH ANYTHING, I'LL BE ABLE TO CASH IN ON THEM!

"IT'S A GOOD THING I DIDN'T GO... BECAUSE, IF I HAD... I MIGHT NEVER HAVE BECOME THE GREEN GOBLIN!"

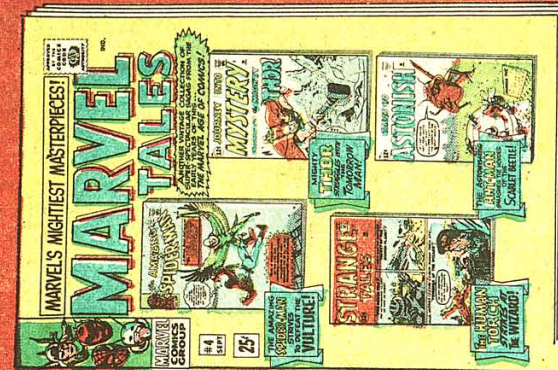
"INSTEAD, I STAYED AND WORKED THROUGH THE NIGHT... HOUR AFTER HOUR... UNTIL, JUST BEFORE DAWN..."

THE SOLUTION IS TURNING GREEN! BUT... WHY? WHAT DOES IT MEAN?

IT'S BEGINNING TO BUBBLE... TO FROTH... AND THAT SOUND... IT'S STEAMING...!

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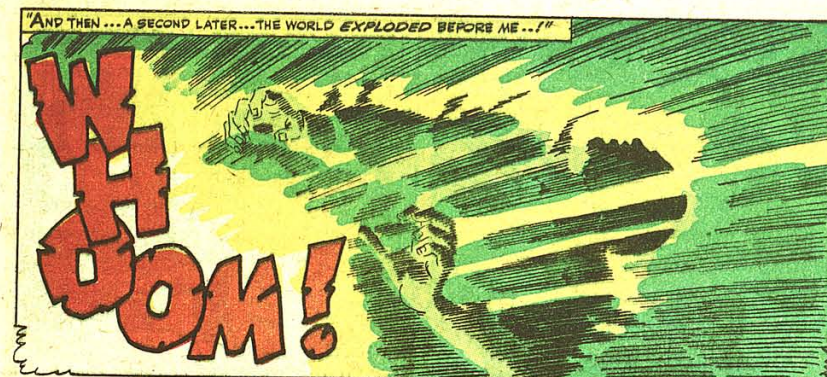
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"THE DAMAGE IS DEEP WITHIN HIS BRAIN! BUT...THERE'S NO WAY WE CAN REACH IT!"
"AT LEAST WE'VE SAVED HIS LIFE! HIS RECOVERY SHOULD BE RAPID NOW!"

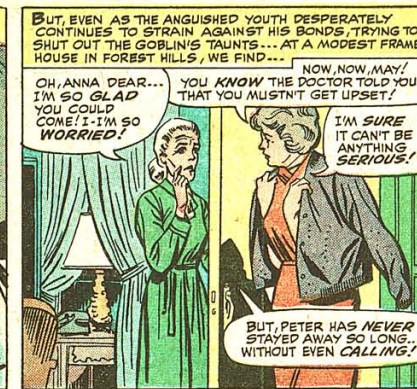
"THE FOOLS! THEY THOUGHT MY BRAIN HAD BEEN DAMAGED! THEY DIDN'T SUSPECT THAT THE ACCIDENT MADE ME MORE BRILLIANT THAN I HAD EVER BEEN! NO ONE SUSPECTED...NOT EVEN MY SON!"
"YOU MAY SEE YOUR FATHER NOW..."
"POOR DAD! IT'S ALL MY FAULT! HE MUST HAVE BEEN OVERWORKED, TIRED...TRYING TO EARN ENOUGH MONEY TO SUPPORT ME!"

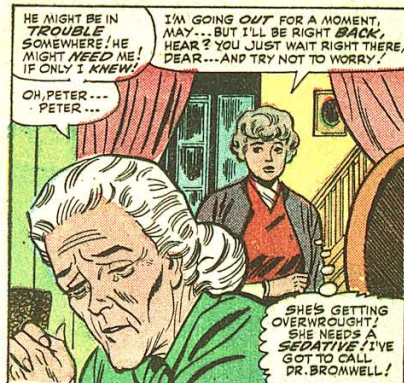
"BUT, I HAD NO PATIENCE WITH HARRY...OR WITH ANYBODY! I WANTED TO BE ALONE...TO THINK...TO PLAN! SO, A FEW DAYS LATER..."
"GO DOWNSTAIRS AND CALL A TAXI! I'M GETTING OUT OF HERE!"
"AND GET THAT HANG-DOG LOOK OFF YOUR FACE! IT BOTHERS ME!"
"HOW DID SOMEONE LIKE ME EVER HAVE A SINVELLING WEAKLING OF A SON LIKE YOU?!"

"DAD...WHAT'S WRONG? WHY ARE YOU ANGRY AT ME? WHAT...WHAT HAVE I DONE?"
"YOU HAVEN'T DONE ANYTHING! THAT'S THE TROUBLE! YOU'RE A SPINELESS JELLYFISH...LIKE EVERYONE ELSE!"
"NOW BE QUIET! I'VE GOT TO CONCENTRATE!"

"ALTHOUGH NOBODY KNEW IT, MY ACCIDENT HAD MADE ME THINK CLEARER THAN EVER BEFORE! SUDDENLY, A DARING PLAN TOOK SHAPE IN MY MIND..."
"I'M STRONGER...SMARTER...TOUGHER THAN ANYONE ELSE! AND I HAVE ALL SORTS OF SCIENTIFIC DEVICES IN MY CHEMICAL COMPANY THAT I CAN USE!"
"I COULD BECOME THE GREATEST COSTUME CRIMINAL OF ALL TIME!"

"THE IDEA BECAME AN OBSESSION WITH ME! IT HAUNTED ME NIGHT AND DAY! I KNEW I HAD TO DO IT! AND SO, MANY MONTHS LATER..."
"THE FACE IS PERFECT! NOW TO DESIGN THE REST OF THE COSTUME!"
"I'LL MAKE IT MY FAVORITE COLOR...GREEN!"





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IS YOUR HAIR GROWING OR GOING?

Stand in front of a mirror. Take a long hard look at the top of your head. Do you have as much hair as one year ago? Do you see any new hair growth?

If your answer is no, it is important that you take steps today to save the hair you now have. If you act now, you may be able to reverse the trend on your head. You may be able to grow new hair faster than it is falling out. Doesn't that make sense to you? Wouldn't you like to look in the mirror a year from now and see more hair on your head than you see now? Why lose your hair if you don't have to?

CAN YOU SAVE YOUR HAIR?

Every year thousands of men and women go bald — needlessly — because of a scalp infection. This scalp infection is called seborrhea. Doctors say that three germ organisms cause seborrhea: staphylococcus albus, pityrosporum ovale, and microbacillus. These germs attack the sebaceous glands and the hair follicles themselves. If not checked, permanent damage is done. The hair follicles atrophy, lose their ability to produce new hairs. The result: premature baldness.

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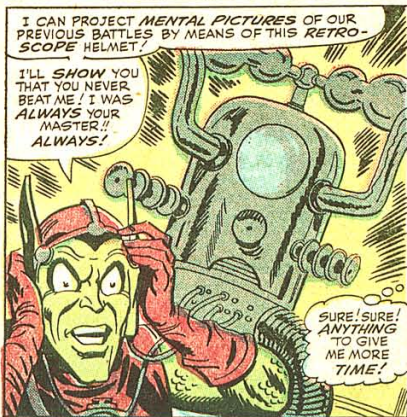
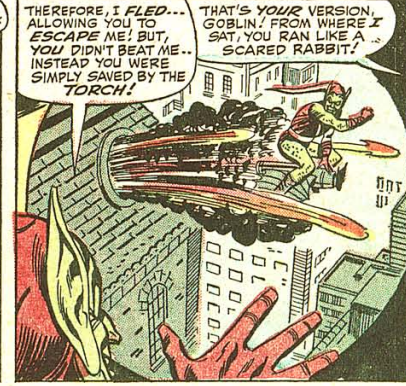
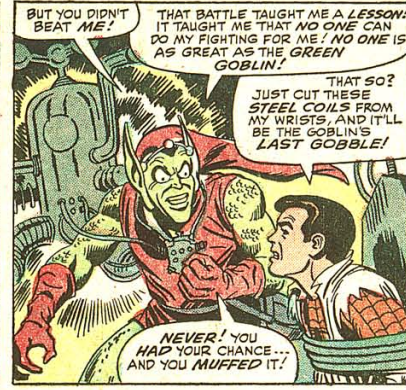
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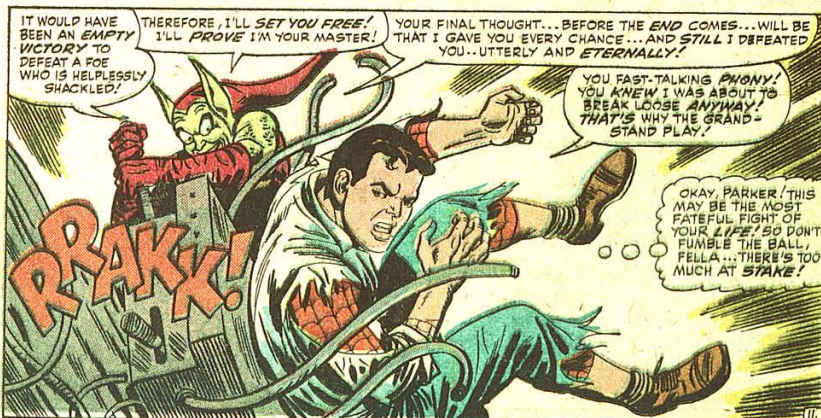
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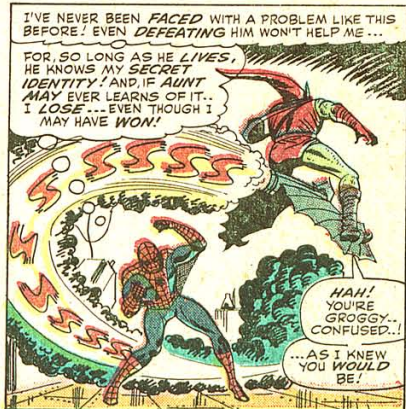
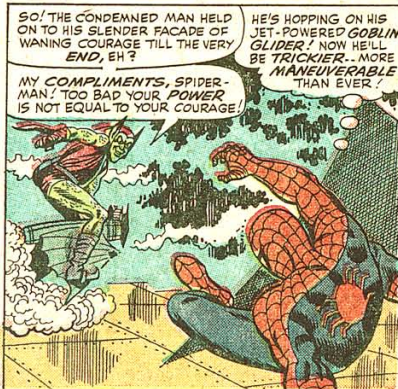
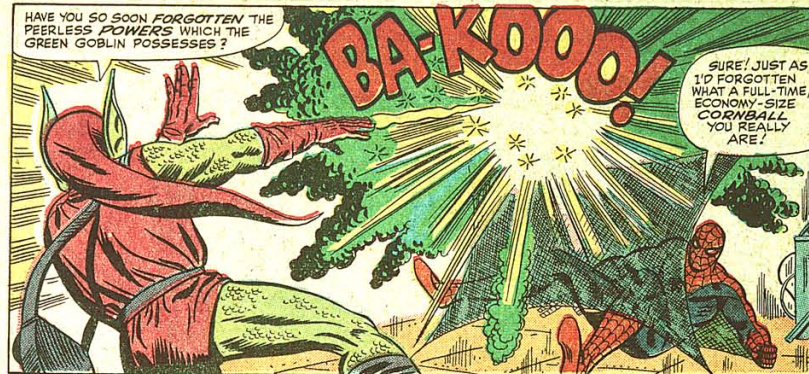
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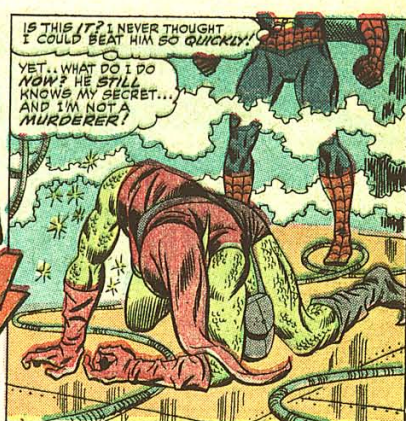
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YEESH! HE'S THROWING EVERY- AND, IF HE COULD EVER FIT THAT IN THING AT ME BUT OH HIS NUTTY BAG OF THE KITCHEN SINK! TRICKS, HE WOULD!



CLIMBING TO THE CEILING WON'T SAVE YOU! THE GOBLIN HAS WAYS OF BRINGING YOU DOWN!

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HOWEVER, IF YOU'RE LONESOME DOWN THERE, I'LL COME DOWN AND KEEP YOU COMPANY!

THOUGH, JUST BETWEEN US, YOU'RE A REAL PARTY POOP!

THAT'S IT! JUST A LITTLE CLOSER...



AND NOW, MY MOST POTENT GOBLIN BLAST WILL MAKE YOU WISH THAT YOU... WHA...?!!

THAT CHAIR! IT HAD BEEN BOLTED TO THE FLOOR!

NOW YOU TELL ME!

WRUNTCH!



YOU IMBECILIC TEENAGER! YOU'RE TOO STUPID TO KNOW WHEN YOU'RE BEATEN!

I SHOULD HAVE FINISHED YOU OFF BEFORE... WHEN I HAD THE CHANCE!

IF ONLY YOU HADN'T KEPT ME TALKING SO LONG!

KEPT YOU?? NOBODY COULD HAVE STOPPED YOU!

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HOPE YOU WON'T MIND MOVING! A SHINDIG LIKE THIS CAN MAKE THEM BREAK YOUR LEASE!



BUT, I'VE LEARNED MY LESSON! I'LL NEVER TAKE CHANCES WITH YOU AGAIN!

OH OH! HE'S DIGGING INTO HIS BAG OF TRICKS! CAN'T STOP HIM IN TIME!



BATTERY-POWERED BATS... SWIRLING AROUND MY HEAD... FLUTTERING ACROSS MY EYES... CAN'T SEE! HAVE TO BRUSH THEM AWAY...

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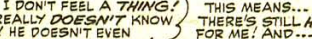
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BUT...IT'S THE ONE RESULT
I **FEARED!** I'VE CONCLUSIVELY
DEFEATED HIM...YET, HOW CAN
I PREVENT HIM FROM BETRAYING
MY **SECRET** AFTER I'VE
TURNED HIM OVER TO
THE **POLICE??**

HE'S STARTING
TO **SPEAK!** HE'S
MUMBLING A NAME...



HE COULDN'T FOOL MY *SPIDER SENSE*! IT WOULD TINGLE IF I WERE STILL IN ANY DANGER!



BUT I DON'T FEEL A **THING!** HE REALLY **DOESN'T** KNOW ME! HE DOESN'T EVEN REMEMBER OUR **FIGHT!** THE SUDDEN, SAVAGE IMPACT OF HIS **SHOCK** HAS ACTUALLY AFFECTED HIS **MIND!**

THIS MEANS... THERE'S STILL **HOPE** FOR ME! AND... PERHAPS EVEN FOR **HIM!**



ANYONE IN THERE? OPEN UP! THE PLACE IS SMOKING!
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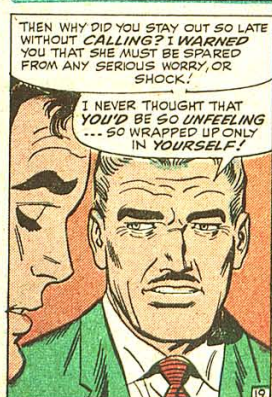
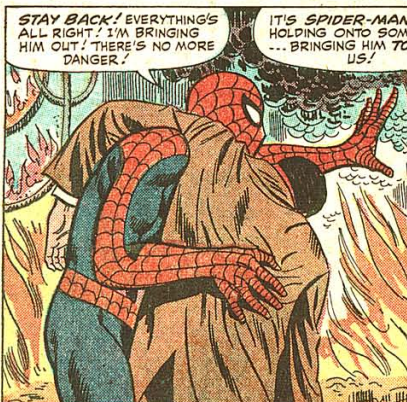
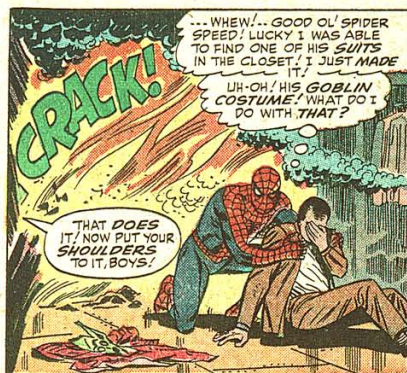
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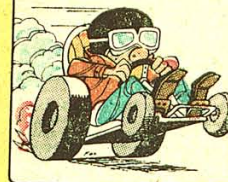
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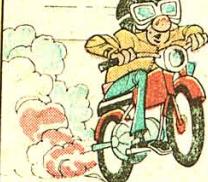
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ITEM: It finally happened! For years, ol' Stan has been threatening to take a vacation. But, just like the boy who cried wolf, nobody paid any attention to him after a while. Until, a few days ago, Jolly Solly Brodsky broke the news to the bullpen that Smiley had finally packed his toothbrush and typewriter and headed south! Although Stan managed to write most of this month's yarns before leaving, there are a few he just couldn't get to, and so, some of our other beautiful bullpeners took over in his stead! We know you'll get a real charge out of seeing the way Rascally Roy Thomas finished up the Sub-Mariner/Iron Man battle in ASTONISH #82, as well as comparing the deliciously different style of Dandy Denny O'Neil, who completed the final 13 pages of DAREDEVIL #181. And, for the most unexpected surprise of all, Jumpin' Jack Kirby himself wrote the script—in addition to doing the layouts—for Nick Fury's S.H.I.E.L.D. thriller in STRANGE TALES #148! (You'll be amazed at learning that the King's writing style has the same power and punch as his spellbinding artwork.) Thus, with Jolly Solly heroically riding herd over all the bedlam, aided by Fabulous Flo, Mirthful Marie, and Laughin' Larry, we wish Stan the Man a swingin' vacation and hope he comes back soon—those long distance phone calls we've been receiving from him each day are driving us batty!

ITEM: Many of our hipper readers have been swamping us with mail praising the new, more authentic Greenwich Village locale in our Dr. Strange yarns. The reason for such instant realism is that Wild Bill Everett felt that no sacrifice was too great to make for mighty Marvel—thus, when he took over the strip, he shared Rascally Roy's Blackstar Street pad for a while, right in the heart of the Village! It's worked out fine, so far, except for one offbeat problem—Roy and the wild one are convinced that their next-door neighbor is a dead ringer for the dread Dormammu!

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now! It features a block-busting never-before-printed epic which you've all been clamoring for—the Howlers in action on D-Day! Take our word for it—it's a comic book bombshell! Then, the next two once-yearly Marvel Masterworks to watch for will be the 25¢ THOR SPECIAL, as well as our sensational MARVEL SUPER-HEROES SPECIAL! We'll give you the complete scoop on them next ish in this space. (And, be sure to save another four bits for our final two Specials which go on sale in July—the long-awaited FANTASTIC FOUR and SPIDER-MAN super-spectaculars!) Yep, it's gonna be a great summer in Marveldom, and we're planning to spend it right with you—no matter where you may be! (We just hope you don't snore!)

ITEM: Now it can be told! Wondrous Werner Roth—whom you've known as Jay Gavin—has elected to join the growing list of Marvel madmen who are so proud of the work they've been doing that they no longer want to use an artistic alias! So now we know Jay's real moniker, as well as the fact that Adam Austin is actually Gene Colan, and Frankie Ray was merely a nom de plume for Frank Giacoia! (It's the following a detective story!) Anyway, if you think all of this is confusing, wait'll we finally turn the spotlight on Honest Irving Frobush! Hoooy boy!

ITEM: Let's add two more groovy deejays to our luminous list of Merry Marchers! Dazzlin' Dick Robinson has been spreading the word about mighty Marvel throughout New England from station WDRC at Hartford, Connecticut! Great to have you aboard, Dick! And how about Sparklin' Space Allen! Ol' Spencero, whose home base is WKSX (they call it "kissin' radio"—pretty cute, huh?) at Jamestown, N.Y., has been doing some of the funniest take-offs you've ever heard of combining pop records with mirthful Marvel interviews! Grab a listen if you're in the area—they're a blast!

ITEM: Have you heard about our evorin' characters entering politics? Well, mebbe we're exaggerating a bit, but we thought you'd get a kick out of hearing that SLATE, one of the political student parties at the University of California (the one at Berkeley, Stan!) ("in" joked Forgive us)—SLATE has been using our heart-warmin' heroes on its campaign posters during the recent college elections! Obviously, they're one bunch of campus cut-ups that are really facin' front!

ITEM: We just had to tell you this! It broke us up the other day! We were sitting around the bullpen, engaged in our usual activity of taking a coffee break and watching the clock, when King Kirby walked in, after having finished an hour-long story conference with Stan. By way of an exit line, Jack was heard to mutter, "Well, we just polished off a few holocausts, and a cataclysm or two! Now, I'll go out and relax by dreaming up a few simple disasters!" Somehow, there's more truth than poetry to that sentiment. Ever wonder what it's like to illustrate galactic wars, battles between gods, and cosmic adventures day after day? If a

simple thing like an earthquake took place across the street, Jack probably wouldn't even hear it!

THE WRAP-UP: Next ish, on this page, we'll announce the result of our poll in which we asked you whether we should continue to rib Brand Echh or ignore them completely from now on! Also, we'll have additional nutty news and notes from the far corners of Marveldom! So, even if you don't like our stories—even if you shudder at our artwork—we expect you to tune in again next month anyway—after all, SOMEONE'S gotta read these bulletins! 'Nuff said!

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Dear Stan,

I was shocked! I was stunned! I was stupefied when I heard Stan's voice on KPOI radio in Honolulu telling us merry Marvel-ous madmen to face front and listen to boss radio KPOI. One question, Stan—what in the world were you doing over here? I had thought for a moment that maybe you moved over to Hawaii. You should. You might get some new ideas for a Spidey epic. I just bought MARVEL COLLECTORS' ITEM CLASSICS and FANTASY MASTERPIECES and have only one complaint. Make them monthly! And on the cover for F.M., show how the original covers looked, like you do on M.C.I.C. I'm sure both of these books will sell out like hotcakes. Well, till I hear Stan's voice on KPOI again, aloha!

Colin Spezio, 1627 Democrat St.
Honolulu, Hawaii

Aloha, Colin! But, to level with you, Stan wasn't in Hawaii personally when you heard him on the radio — it was a taped recording he had made for all his buddies at good ol' KPOI! But, we're glad you were listening, pal — and no one wishes more strongly than Smiley himself that the next time you hear him in heavenly Honolulu he'll be there in the flesh!

Dear Stan,

We've just finished reading SPIDER-MAN #35—great, guys, just great! Can't tell you how much we all dig that wild web-spinner and all his fiendish foes. But don't you think you're being just a bit too hard on poor old malicious Molten Man? Sure, he's an evil creep like all the rest, but, gosh, Spidey hardly gives the poor guy a chance to do anything really dastardly. We hate to think of the old clunk rusting away in the clink without ever having a chance to make a name for himself in the annals of nastiness! Show a little heart, guys, and let old Leadhead escape soon—we want to see him really test old Spidey's metal—whoops, sorry. Spinner—we meant mettle! We get so tired of reading the same old fantasy here at school that the Marvel mags are just what we need to keep in touch with reality. Keep up the good work, fellas!

Pete Windt, Jerry Vision, Louis Rogers,
William Whisner
Dept. of Philosophy, Orson Spenser Hall 333
Univ. of Utah, Salt Lake City, Utah

Waddaya mean keep it up? We're gonna surpass it, guys! As for malevolent Molty, you may just get your wish! Soon as we can save up enough scratch to buy us some yellow ink, we'll try to bring him back for a re-match! But, till then, it's not unlikely you may derive a soupcon of pleasure from our other way-out weirdies! (In other words, don't dare miss an ish, hear?)

Dear Stan,

Wow! I just had to write and tell you that the cover of SPIDER-MAN #36 was really great. Now don't get

me wrong, Stan, I'm not the kind of nut that buys comics just to look at the cover. Anyway, I really liked the color combination—your covers are getting to look more and more 3-D. Stan, your script was great as always, and I like the way you keep the action going throughout the whole story. I agree with that fan about continued stories—cut them down a bit. In issues #35 and #36 in the last panel you've shown what or who would be in the next issue. I like that because it gives us fans an idea of what we can expect in the next issue. That's about all for now, so as you'd say, 'nuff said!

Dan McNay, 212 N. Jefferson
Bloomington, Ind.

Whatever on earth makes you think we'd say that, Danny? And, you don't really have to be a nut to buy our mags just to look at the covers! Shucks, Irving Forbush was buying 'em faithfully for months before he finally realized they also had pictures inside!

Dear Stan,

As I was reading the latest SPENSE #78 the other day, I was brother happened to turn on the radio. He happened to turn to WABC—my second favorite hobby beside reading Marvels. WABC was having a Super-Hero Contest where they gave the jumbled letters to the name of a super-hero. Naturally, I figured that all of merry Marvel's madmen would be included. They had a different hero each day, and on one day, guess who was included? Spidey? Mr. Fantastic? Thor? Nope! None other than Sub-Mariner! That's right — makes you kind of choke up, huh? Too bad no Spidey, as he's my favorite. By the way, Stan, I fancy myself an amateur detective and I'll bet you a year's supply of Brand Echh that the Green Goblin is none other than Norman Osborn! That's right! (In case you didn't realize it, the winner loses with those mags!) Thanks for your MARVEL COLLECTORS' ITEM CLASSICS #3—I think they're all great. It just so happens that F.F. #4 was the first Marvel mag I ever read. Well, thanks for letting me tell you how much I dig ya. Till the Hulk buys an Irving Forbush sweatshirt, I'll keep reading.

Alan Friedenthal, 212-21 B73rd Ave.
Bayside, N.Y.

Those winning words are music to our greedy little ears, Al boy! By the way, we're sending you a special bonus all-purpose washday miracle no-prize for being the writer of the first letter we've received with the correct identity of the Goblin! (We received quite a few others, from Marvelites everywhere, who guessed Gobby's identity also — but yours was the first!) So, a tip of the Marvel top to all you embryonic Sherlock Holmeses — but, don't tell adorable Artie — he still thinks ol' Greenie was Aunt May in disguise!

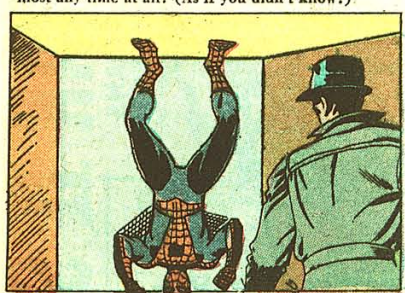
Dear Stan,

I am writing this letter to inform you that the conflict in your Spider-Man mag is becoming gradually monotonous and wearisome (no offense meant, just positive criticism).

Spidey is fighting with his fists all the time. When he does fight, please don't show the sound effects, namely the onomatopoeia. Please give Spidey a new and unique major conflict with sub-actions building up to the final climax and the denouement. Possibly, you could have a conflict such as man versus nature where Spidey must accomplish a daring feat of skill and strength in order to rescue someone from one of the many perils found in nature. Maybe it could be man against man where the old Web-Spinner becomes involved in international espionage or entangled in a problem with juvenile delinquents. That I desire a different and unique setting for Spider-Man in your stories is true. I can imagine a setting anywhere from a New York location at this time to some exciting, enchanting place in the past or future. I enjoy your style of writing, and the many moods you create are fascinating and commendable. Wowee! I've just finished reading in TV Guide that "... the comic strip characters are upon us. Producers Robert Lawrence and Stephen Krantz now have the rights to Spider-Man, Captain America, the Sub-Mariner, the Hulk, and Thor." In closing, I would like to exclaim this imperative phrase — Make Mine Marvel—for intellectual stimulation, not to mention the enjoyment experienced!

Michael Brisk, 8564 Holden Rd.
Santee, Cal.

And who can argue with noble sentiments like those? We'll do what we can to comply with your requests, Mike — soon as we're sure that we fully understand 'em! But, we kinda figure our rabid readers would rather see Spidey pitted against a big, brawlin' baddie than a fearful force of nature. However, you can be certain that the question will no longer be in doubt as soon as the mail starts pouring in — so stay with us for the exciting result! And, if the suspense gets too unbearable, always remember that you can relax with a soothing, scintillating, satisfying Marvel masterwork 'most any time at all! (As if you didn't know!)



Dear Stan,

Our friendly neighborhood SPIDER-MAN #36 mag was the best ever produced! It not only featured Spidey in his suspenseful, adventurous, action-packed moment of glory, but also had the infamous and mischievous Looter. Now this is what I call a truly excellent jam-packed thriller of an issue. The Looter, with his amazing dazzler gun and helium balloon, made a truly excellent foe for Spidey. Everything, from the script to the lettering passed with flying colors. One thing I enjoyed thoroughly about this marvel-ous and magnificent epic of American literature was the indescribably excellent cover. This was one of the best covers I have ever seen in my life! The Looter's costume was one that made my eyes pop out. Continue featuring a bit more on the villains and just enough of Spidey's private life as Pete. A type of foe like the Looter should definitely be brought back again. I received my Spidey poster and it was much more than I expected it would be. The art, size, design, and muscle work really made it a Marvel masterpiece. I thank you, and all my friends do, too. Also, I would like to say that the F.F. is one of the most terrific mags and I'm sure that the Inhumans and the Silver Surfer definitely have something in common. They are the world's bestest! Thanks for the

glorious and precious mags, and for reading all your fans' letters — and for reading mine!

Mark Campbell, 1508 Rossman S.E.
Grand Rapids, Mich. 49507

On the contrary, Mark — though we don't want to sound like Alphonse and Gaston, it's we who thank you for writing 'em! After a full day of wrestling with plots, pencils, printers, proof-readers, and other assorted publishing perils, the most fun we can have without laughing is reading the magnificent mail from our many magnanimous, merry marchers out there in Marvel-land! (What we're tryin' to say, lad, is — we love ya all!)



Dear Stan,

I never thought I'd be writing you about your mag, but I feel that I owe it to you. I am a steady customer of yours with Spidey, as well as the X-Men. It all started a few months ago when I was stationed in Korea. Now in Japan, I still read your mags. I just finished your latest ish about the "Molten Man Regrets". Come on, gang, you can do better than that! It was a good story and all that, but I am so used to reading at the story's end — "Don't miss the next issue because it'll rock you" or something like that. When are you going to get Pete Parker to whip some of those clowns in his chemistry class? I think they're long overdue for it. The artwork is great, but I think you should change the name of the letters section to "Complaint Department" the way some people talk about your great mag. I don't have any real complaints, except that I would like you to make a complaint to my employer, Uncle Sam. He doesn't send most of your mags further than Hawaii, so we here in Japan and Korea don't get them. I am speaking for all your fans in the barracks when I say this. Well, 'nuff said!

Greg P. Lasserre, A2C, USAF, 6100th Serv. Squadron
6100th Support Wing (FACAF)
(Tachikawa AFB, Japan)
APO San Francisco, Cal. 96325

Perhaps the batch of mags we're shooting off to you now will ease the shortage a bit, Greg, till we can get Congress to take some emergency action on its own! In the meantime, we'll try not to write "Don't miss the next issue because it'll rock you" too often! Although, just between us — if you could see our next ish — no! We won't say it! We promised! But, you don't know how you're torturing us, soldier!

NEXT ISH: A brand-new, grand-new super-villain tackles Spidey with the force of a rhino — and that comparison is more justified than you might guess! Also, we begin a new phase in the social life of Peter Parker — one which is sure to delight some, and dismay others! All of that, coupled with the most spectacular script and amazing artwork we can produce, adds up to another magnificent milestone in this, the Marvel Age of Comics — or, to put it another way — it's pure Spidey magic — and you know what that means! So, if you're in a buying mood when SPIDER-MAN #41 goes on sale, give it a tumble — we've a sneaking suspicion that you'll like it!

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